112TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

S. 2367

To strike the word "lunatic" from Federal law, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 25, 2012

Mr. CONRAD (for himself and Mr. CRAPO) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*

2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the "21st Century Lan-

5 guage Act of 2012".

6 **SEC. 2. MODERNIZATION OF LANGUAGE REFERRING TO**

7 **PERSONS WHO ARE MENTALLY ILL.**

8 (a) WORDS DENOTING NUMBER, GENDER, AND SO

9 FORTH.—Section 1 of title 1, United States Code, is

10 amended—

1   (1) by striking "and 'lunatic' "; and

2   (2) by striking "lunatic,".

3 (b) BANKING LAW PROVISIONS.—

4   (1) TRUST POWERS.—The first section of the

5 Act entitled "An Act to place authority over the

6 trust powers of national banks in the Comptroller of

7 the Currency", approved September 28, 1962 (12

8 U.S.C. 92a), is amended—

9   (A) in subsection (a), by striking "com-

10   mittee of estates of lunatics,"; and

11   (B) in subsection (b), by striking "com-

12   mittee of estates of lunatics".

13   (2) CONSOLIDATION   AND   MERGERS   OF

14 BANKS.—The National Bank Consolidation and

15 Merger Act (12 U.S.C. 215 et seq.) is amended—

16   (A) in section 2 (12 U.S.C. 215)—

17   (i) in subsection (e), by striking "re-

18   ceiver, and committee of estates of luna-

19   tics" and inserting "and receiver"; and

20   (ii) in subsection (f), by striking "re-

21   ceiver, or committee of estates of lunatics"

22   and inserting "or receiver"; and

23   (B) in section 3 (12 U.S.C. 215a)—

1   (i) in subsection (e), by striking "re-

2   ceiver, and committee of estates of luna-

3   tics" and inserting "and receiver"; and

4   (ii) in subsection (f), by striking "re-

5   ceiver, or committee of estates of lunatics"

6   and inserting "or receiver".

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